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TO AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE  
INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY

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FOR ACTION BY TRANSPORTATION OFFICER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PORG, IMCO, FR

SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TANKER SAFETY AND  
POLLUTION PREVENTION, PREPARATIONS FOR THE CONFERENCE

1. REPORTS RECEIVED HERE (FROM PARTICIPANTS IN THE OCIMF  
SYMPOSIUM ON SAFETY OF NAVIGATION AND FROM OTHER SOURCES)  
INDICATE THAT THE FRENCH HAVE CHANGED THEIR POSITION WITH  
RESPECT TO SEGREGATED BALLAST TANKS (SBT) IN EXISTING  
TANKERS. REPORTS VARY ON SPECIFICS, IN FACT CONFLICT  
AT SOME POINTS.

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2. TRANSPORTATION OFFICER IS REQUESTED TO  
CONTACT XAVIER DUCLAUX AT MARINE MARCHAND TO SEEK CLARI-  
FICATION. MILLER SHOULD INFORM DUCLAUX THAT ADMIRALS  
WALLACE AND BENKERT OF THE U.S. DELEGATION ARE ANXIOUS  
TO RECEIVE AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF THE NEW FRENCH POSITION  
IN AS MUCH DETAIL AS FEASIBLE, AND THE ARGUMENTS WHICH THE  
FRENCH MAY USE AT THE CONFERENCE IN PRESENTING THEIR CASE.

ANY INFO PROVIDED BY DUCLAUX WILL BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE.

3. IF FRENCH DELEGATION WISHES TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH  
U.S. DELEGATION DURING THE WEEK PRECEDING THE CONFERENCE  
ADMIRAL BENKERT WILL BE IN LONDON FROM FEBRUARY FIRST AND  
WOULD BE HAPPY TO MEET AT MUTUALLY CONVENIENT TIME BEFORE

THE CONFERENCE CONVENES. BENKERT WILL BE STAYING AT THE  
ATHENEUM HOTEL, 116 PICCADILLY.

4. PLEASE RESPOND BY PRIORITY TELEGRAM, REPEATED INFO  
TO AMEMBASSY LONDON. VANCE

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